(h) Provide RSVP volunteers with cost reimbursements specified in \$2553.43.

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§ 2553.24 What are a sponsor's responsibilities for securing community participation?

- (a) A sponsor shall secure community participation in local project operation by establishing an Advisory Council or a similar organizational structure with a membership that includes people:
- (1) Knowledgeable about human and social needs of the community;
- (2) Competent in the field of community service and volunteerism;
- (3) Capable of helping the sponsor meet its administrative and program responsibilities including fund-raising, publicity and programming for impact:
- (4) With an interest in and knowledge of the capability of older adults; and
- (5) Of a diverse composition that reflects the demographics of the service area
- (b) The sponsor determines how this participation shall be secured, consistent with the provisions of paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(5) of this section.

§ 2553.25 What are a sponsor's administrative responsibilities?

A sponsor shall:

- (a) Assume full responsibility for securing maximum and continuing community financial and in-kind support to operate the project successfully.
- (b) Provide levels of staffing and resources appropriate to accomplish the purposes of the project and carry out its project management responsibilities.
- (c) Employ a full-time project director to accomplish program objectives and manage the functions and activities delegated to project staff for NSSC program(s) within its control. A full-time project director shall not serve concurrently in another capacity, paid or unpaid, during established working hours. The project director may participate in activities to coordinate program resources with those of related local agencies, boards or organizations. A sponsor may negotiate the employment of a part-time project director

with the Corporation when it can be demonstrated that such an arrangement will not adversely affect the size, scope and quality of project operations.

- (d) Consider all project staff as sponsor employees subject to its personnel policies and procedures.
- (e) Compensate project staff at a level that is comparable with similar staff positions in the sponsor organization and/or project service area.
- (f) Establish risk management policies and procedures covering project and RSVP activities. This includes provision of appropriate insurance coverage for RSVP volunteers, vehicles and other properties used in the project.
- (g) Establish record keeping and reporting systems in compliance with Corporation requirements that ensure quality of program and fiscal operations, facilitate timely and accurate submission of required reports and cooperate with Corporation evaluation and data collection efforts.
- (h) Comply with and ensure that all volunteer stations comply with all applicable civil rights laws and regulations, including providing reasonable accommodation to qualified individuals with disabilities.

§ 2553.26 May a sponsor administer more than one program grant from the Corporation?

A sponsor may administer more than one Corporation program grant.

Subpart C—Suspension, Termination and Denial of Refunding

§ 2553.31 What are the rules on suspension, termination and denial of refunding of grants?

- (a) The Chief Executive Officer or designee is authorized to suspend further payments or to terminate payments under any grant providing assistance under the Act whenever he or she determines there is a material failure to comply with applicable terms and conditions of the grant. The Chief Executive Officer shall prescribe procedures to insure that:
- (1) Assistance under the Act shall not be suspended for failure to comply with applicable terms and conditions, except